The California Natural Gas Industry in 2003 and Beyond: Who Will Pay for Needed Infrastructure?

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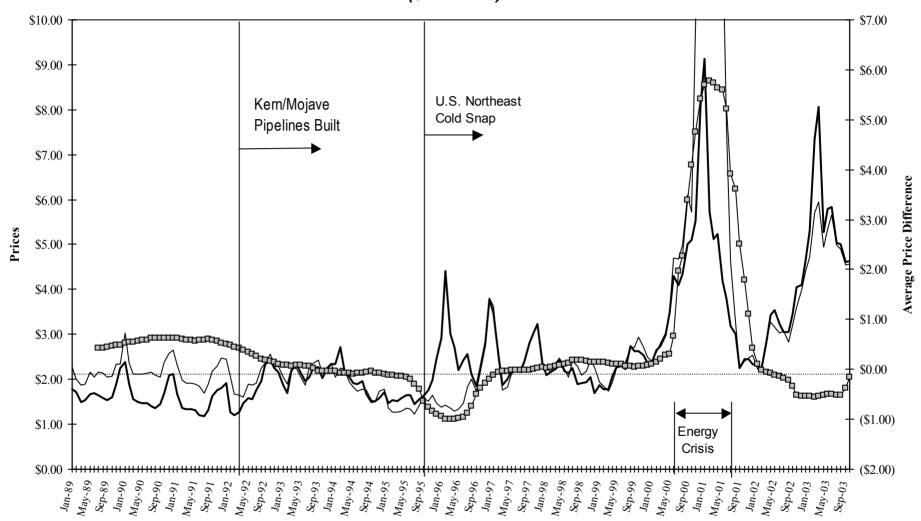
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The State's Gas Infrastructure Appears Adequate for the Next Five Years.

- *Supply* [∞] the importance of access to [∞] frontier [∞] basins and the world LNG market.
- *← Interstate pipelines* ≥ 1.7 Bcf/d of new capacity to California has been added since 2001.
- *G*✓ *Intrastate* ≥ *pipelines* ≥ 1.4 Bcf/d of new delivery capacity from the California border. Includes North Baja and the High Desert lateral as well as PG&E and SoCalGas expansions.
- *Storage* [∞] new independent storage capacity in northern California.

Henry Hub vs. California Border Price (\$/MMBtu)



Source: Natural Gas Week

Who Paid for Today s Infrastructure?

- The 1992 93 and 2001 03 interstate expansions were decided (and paid for) by the market of noncore customers (EOR and electric generation) and gas marketers.
- € LDC core consumers have continued to be served almost entirely with ĕlegacy interstate capacity.
- Does the core want access to the Rocky Mountains and world LNG supplies?
- Pipelines will be built if they can compete for markets.

Have the State's Natural Gas Policies Kept Pace With the Infrastructure?

- Rate design, services, and regulations differ markedly between PG&E and Sempra.
- How will new supply sources gain firm access to the Sempra gas system?
- CPUC adhere to cost-of-service principles?
- Can interstate or independent pipelines and storage projects compete with the LDCs?

Gas-fired Cogeneration as a Preferred Use of Scarce Gas Supplies

- Cogeneration s dual production of thermal and electric products is highly efficient and conserves substantial gas resources.
- Cogeneration supports important California industries and institutions, and is the state state third-largest source of electricity.
- The CEC s recent Integrated Energy Policy Report recognizes these values.
- Cogeneration projects can pay for future gas infrastructure if they have a secure market and stable prices for their output.